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To: USPS Regulatory Commission

I am writing to support the appeal for the reinstatement of the Tariffville Post Office in the Village of Tariffville, Simsbury CT.

Thank you so much for hearing our appeal. I feel strongly that Tariffville deserves to have its PO reopened for the following reasons:

1. We were not on the closure list. The PO took advantage of a false alarm situation and did not reopen the PO after the building was deemed safe only a few days later. They took down the sign and removed the PO boxes and stripped the interior of the building. Authorities were unable to even tell us where the sign and antique mail boxes were. We would like it all back and in use once again. The PO's own procedures were not followed and we feel this closure was wrong. We feel we should have had the chance to appeal before the PO was closed.
2. The Tariffville PO was not losing money.
3. I moved to Tariffville to retire and will soon be living on Medicare alone. I can walk to anything I need, and walking to the PO was important to me.
4. I have family in England, Italy and Norway and need everything I send weighed and sometimes insured, etc. I pay all my bills by regular mail, not on the computer.
5. I cannot afford to drive to Simsbury or Granby on a regular basis to do PO business.
6. I would gladly pay more for postage.
7. Tariffville is often isolated from both Simsbury and Granby by flooding.
8. Many businesses in the nearby business park brought their mailing to this PO.
9. Tariffville has many self employed and small businesses and two big churches who used the PO.
10. Tariffville has a significant number of elderly, lower income folks who depended on the PO.
11. I have incurred several late fees because mail has been lost.
12. I have also incurred several late fees because I keep the mail in my purse until I am making a trip to a PO. I choose not to leave checks in my mail box and have had important checks lost.
13. The Simsbury PO can't handle the extra business. Parking is terrible and staff is often rude .
14. When I moved here 6 years ago the PO was a warm and friendly spot in town where I could meet the PO staff and my new neighbors. I realize that is not the business of the PO but it is a reality of a PO in a small Village and it serves the purpose of communication. You know this because your new concept, The Village Post Office promotes this social aspect in its name.
15. The USPS will receive full support from the Village of Tariffville when the PO comes back.
16. Please do not close the Tariffville Post Office.

Thank-you, Wanda Colman

